

Docket No.: 216630US2



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION: Masahiro TAMURA, et al.

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GAU: 3653

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EXAMINER: SCHLAK, D.

FOR: SHEET-LIKE MEDIUM ALIGNMENT APPARATUS

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LETTER SUBMITTING REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET(S)

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Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

☒ 4 Replacement Drawing Sheets ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ New Drawing Sheets

☒ Official Action dated February 13, 2004

☐ Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee dated \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other dated \_\_\_\_\_

The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

Figures 77-80 have been labeled as Prior Art.

Respectfully submitted,

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

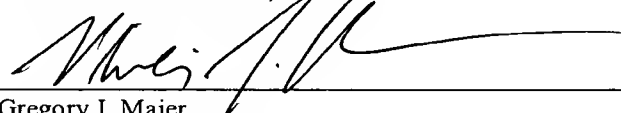
- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☒ Additional documents filed herewith: Letter Submitting Drawing Sheets, Replacement Drawing Sheets (4), Copies of References Listed in the Information Disclosure Statement filed December 23, 2002, (11)

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

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